

## 7A GRAMMAR permission, obligation, and necessity

a Right (✓) or wrong (X)? Correct the mistakes in the **bold** phrases.

- 1 These jeans are too tight. I **should have tried** them on before buying them. ✓
- 2 Emma's still very upset about her divorce, so you **hadn't better ask her** about it.
- 3 The invitation said we **didn't need to wear** formal clothes, so we wore jeans.
- 4 Employees **don't have to download** any software as it's against company rules.
- 5 We're **supposed to finish** early on Fridays, but we always end up staying late.
- 6 If you want to be sure of passing your exam, you really **ought study** more.
- 7 The boss is in a bad mood today so **you'd better watch out**.
- 8 You **don't need to show** your passport for domestic travel within the UK.
- 9 We **ought to think** of that solution earlier. It's too late now.

b Circle the correct alternative in each pair. Tick (✓) if both are possible.

**Customer** Hi, my laptop hasn't been working properly for a few days. Could you help?

**Technician** Yes, of course. First of all I'd **need to** / **need** look at it. Have you brought it with you?

**C** Yes, here it is. It's been really slow since I opened up an email attachment. I know I **mustn't** / **shouldn't** have done that, but I did and now I feel really stupid.

**T** Mm, we always tell people that you're **not supposed** / **not meant** to open up an attachment unless you know who the sender is, but people do. The other thing we always tell customers is that they **mustn't** / **don't have to** forget to back up their files before they bring a laptop in, just in case we have to reinstall programs. You have backed yours up, haven't you?

**C** Oh yes, I've done that. But what do you think the problem is?

**T** I'm just having a look now, but you **haven't got to** / **don't need to** worry. In fact, you **needn't have brought** / **didn't need to bring** it in! The memory on the laptop is full and that's why it's been working so slowly. You **should** / **ought** get an external hard drive and transfer your larger files to free up some memory. It'll work a treat!

**C** Which brand would you recommend?

**T** Well, I'm not really **permitted** / **allowed** to recommend one brand over another, but have a look at our catalogue with the prices. That **should** / **must** help you decide which one to get.

**C** That's great, thanks...



### activation

c Write five rules that you think would make your English class go (even) better! Use the grammar from b above.

*I think it would be really good if we all handed in the homework when we were supposed to.*

## 7B GRAMMAR verbs of the senses

- a** Rewrite the sentences using the word in **bold**.
- The situation sounds worse than had been expected.  
**though** It sounds as though the situation is worse than had been expected.
  - This herb has a similar smell to garlic, but it isn't.  
**like** This herb \_\_\_\_\_, but it isn't.
  - I could see that she had probably been crying.  
**if** She looked \_\_\_\_\_ been crying.
  - Your manager has been telling me good things about you.  
**hearing** I've \_\_\_\_\_ from your manager.
  - You can really taste the almonds in this ice cream.  
**tastes** This \_\_\_\_\_ almonds.
  - The neighbour says that no one left the house after 9.00 p.m. that night.  
**see** The neighbour says she didn't \_\_\_\_\_ after 9.00 p.m.
  - A viola makes a noise similar to a violin, but its range is lower.  
**sounds** A viola \_\_\_\_\_, but its range is lower.
  - It seems as though the city hasn't changed much since I left.  
**have** The city doesn't seem \_\_\_\_\_ since I left.
  - The bomb went off at exactly eight o'clock.  
**heard** I \_\_\_\_\_ at exactly eight o'clock.
  - Adam seems not to have slept very well judging by the amount he's yawning.  
**looks** Adam \_\_\_\_\_ judging by the amount he's yawning.
  - She seemed to be delighted with the outcome of the meeting.  
**though** It seemed \_\_\_\_\_ with the outcome of the meeting.
  - According to neighbours, the couple were arguing for more than an hour.  
**heard** Neighbours \_\_\_\_\_ for more than an hour.

### activation

- b** Read the following poem.

#### Sitting in my kitchen

I can	see	sunbeams dancing on the curtains.
The birds outside	sound	as if they're having a serious conference today.
The air	smells	of the coffee I've just made.
The cup	feels	warm in my hand,
And the coffee	tastes	deliciously sweet.



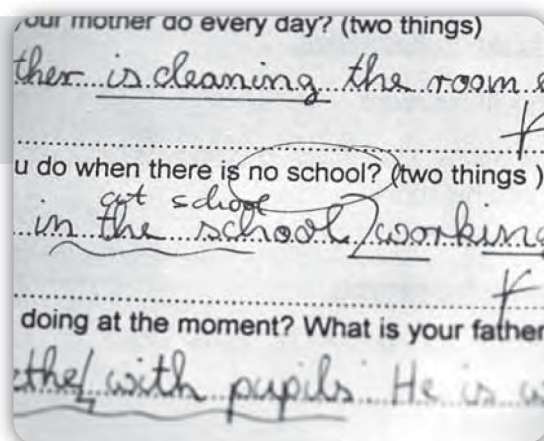
- c** Now write your own poem about any place you like or dislike. Write a title and five lines, one for each of the senses, paying particular attention to the grammar in the exercise above. Use this table to help you:

(your title)		
I can	see	
	sound(s)	
	smell(s)	
	feel(s)	
	taste(s)	

## 7A COMMUNICATIVE Let's change the rules

- a** Read the following proposals and suggestions related to education. For each one decide whether you agree, disagree, or half-agree and why.

- 1 Teachers should not be allowed to use red pens to correct exercises as this is psychologically harmful to students.
- 2 Schoolchildren ought not to be given grades on tests, only general comments, so that they can't compare themselves with other children.
- 3 Secondary school teachers should never be made to teach more than four hours a day.
- 4 Children don't need to be 'streamed' at school. Stronger pupils can learn as much in a class with weaker pupils as they would with those of their own level.
- 5 Handwriting should no longer be taught at school, as it is irrelevant for children in the 21st century.
- 6 Competitive sport should be banned in schools, so that children's self-esteem is not affected by losing.
- 7 Science teachers should be paid more than arts teachers as it is much harder to recruit them.
- 8 Online learning and coursework can never totally replace traditional learning methods.
- 9 The people who decide on new education laws should be teachers, not politicians.
- 10 Parents ought to reward their children for passing exams, for example with a cash payment.
- 11 Children shouldn't have to memorize facts like multiplication tables and important historical dates, as the information is now instantly available on the internet.
- 12 A university course is supposed to be enjoyable, not just a route to a better job.

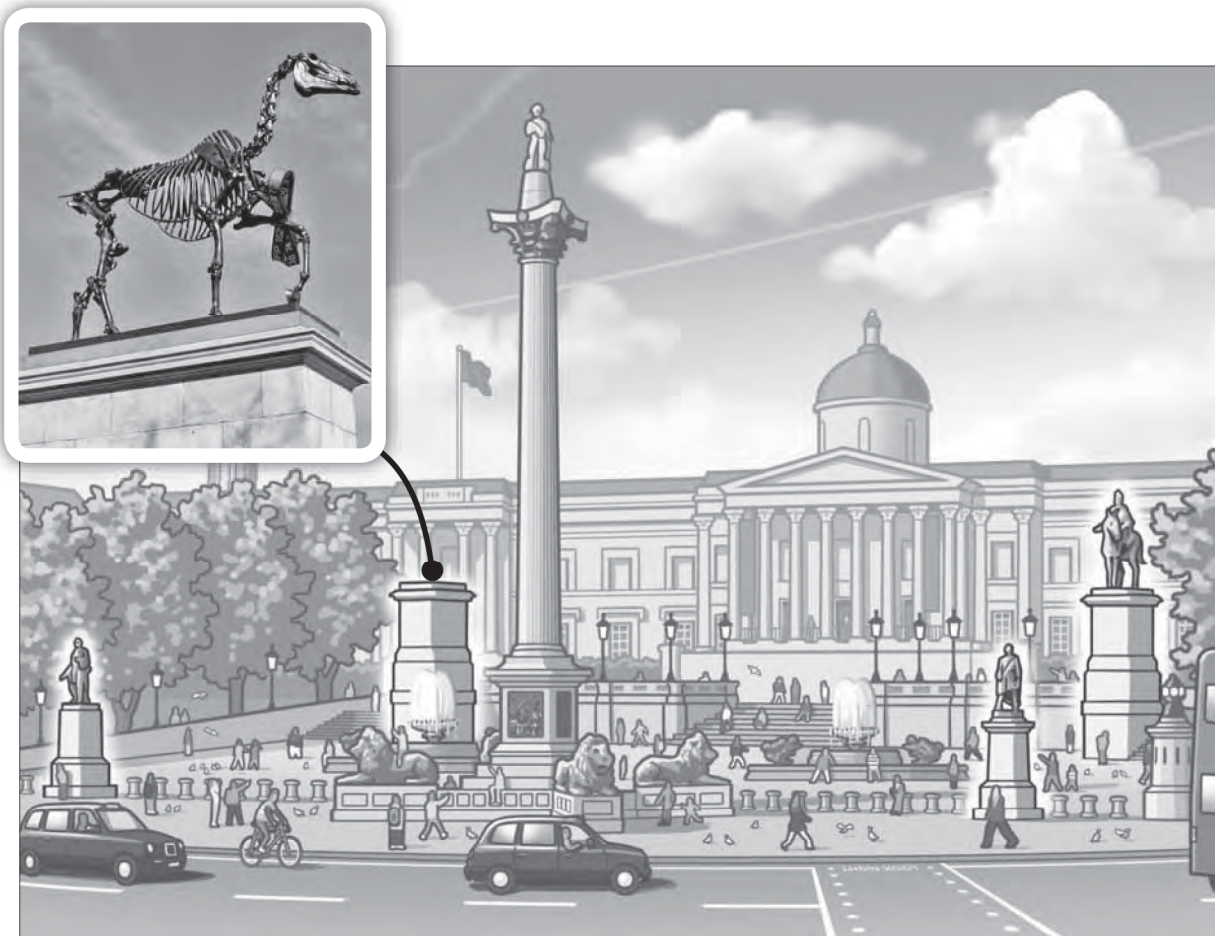


- b** Compare your answers with your partner. Discuss the pros and cons of each statement.



## 7B COMMUNICATIVE Public art?

The Fourth Plinth is a block of stone in Trafalgar Square in central London. It was originally intended to hold an equestrian statue of King William IV (1765–1837), but remained bare due to insufficient funds. For over 150 years the fate of the plinth was debated. In 1999, a sequence of three contemporary artworks to be displayed on the plinth was announced. The success of this initiative led to a commission being formed to decide on a use for the plinth. Eventually that commission unanimously decided to continue using it for the temporary display of artworks. One of the most popular modern sculptures displayed there recently has been *Gift horse* by Hans Haacke.



Read about the Fourth Plinth and look at one of the modern sculptures exhibited there. Then answer the questions in small groups.

- 1 What do you think the sculpture on the Fourth Plinth represents? What do you understand the title to mean? Do you like the sculpture? Why (not)?
- 2 Are there any famous statues, sculptures, or monuments in the town where you live? Which ones do you particularly like or dislike? Why?
- 3 Imagine you were going to commission a new statue, monument, or piece of public art for your town / city. Answer these questions:
  - What should it represent? (e.g. a historical figure or event, something your town / city is famous for, a concept that represents your town / city)
  - How big would it be? What would it be made of?
  - Where would it be? Why?
  - Would it be temporary or permanent?



## 7A VOCABULARY Prefixes

- Complete the sentences by adding a prefix (e.g. *un-*, *anti-*, *re-*, etc.) to the word in **bold**, and make any other necessary changes.

- 1 I wouldn't believe a word he says. He's completely **honest**.  
(**honest**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 It's very difficult to talk to you when you are behaving in such an **rational** manner.  
(**rational**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 You didn't pay attention and completely **understand** what I said.  
(**understand**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Despite the fact that the rest of her family was **literate**, she managed to learn to read, and eventually graduated from university.  
(**literate**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 I wish you wouldn't talk with your mouth full. It's very **attractive**.  
(**attractive**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 He was severely reprimanded at work for making **appropriate** comments in an email.  
(**appropriate**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 In hot weather it's easy to become **hydrate** if you don't drink enough liquids.  
(**hydrate**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 Being **lingual** can be a real disadvantage in the world of business.  
(**lingual**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 I proposed having the Christmas party on December 23rd, but I was **vote** by my colleagues.  
(**vote**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 The film isn't as good as the reviews say. It's very **rate**.  
(**rate**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 11 He might look tired now, but don't **estimate** him. He could still win this match.  
(**estimate**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 12 My boss isn't happy with my report, so he asked me to make some changes and **write** it.  
(**write**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 13 The government is introducing new measures to try to control **social** behaviour in young people.  
(**social**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 14 The walk was exhausting. It was **hill** all the way.  
(**hill**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 15 I don't believe in ghosts or other **natural** phenomena.  
(**natural**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 16 He works for a **national** company, which has offices all over Europe and in South America.  
(**national**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 17 She was very **prepared** for the interview. She seemed to know nothing about the company at all.  
(**prepared**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 18 I love **colour** shirts – my favourite is yellow, purple, green, and red.  
(**colour**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 19 He's only 23 and he's already written his **biography**.  
(**biography**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 20 He and his sister were **founder** of a successful online business.  
(**founder**) \_\_\_\_\_
- 21 He looked **mature** old because he had such an unhealthy lifestyle.  
(**mature**) \_\_\_\_\_

## 7B SONG All the Rowboats 4 14))) MP3

- a Listen to the song and write the missing words. Use the clues in brackets to help you.
- b Listen to the song and check.

### All the Rowboats

All the rowboats in the paintings  
 They keep trying to row away  
 And the captains' worried <sup>1</sup> faces (**part of the body**)  
 Stay contorted and staring at the waves  
 They'll keep hanging in their <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ frames  
 (**a precious metal**)  
 For forever, forever and a day  
 All the rowboats in the oil paintings  
 They keep trying to row away, row away  
 Hear them whispering <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ and  
<sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**two languages**)  
 Dutch, Italian, and Latin  
 When no one's looking I touch a <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_  
 (**a work of art made of stone**)  
 Marble, cold, and soft as <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**a material**)  
 But the most special are the most lonely  
 God, I pity the <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**string instruments**)  
 In **glass coffins** they keep <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**what you keep**  
**doing when you have a cold**)  
 They've forgotten, forgotten how to sing, how to sing

#### Chorus

**First there's lights out, then there's lock up**  
<sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ serving **maximum sentences**  
 (**great works of art**)  
 It's their own fault for being timeless  
 There's a price to pay and a consequence  
 All the galleries, the <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**places where**  
**you can see old objects**)



Here's your ticket, welcome to the <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_  
 (**large graves built of stone**)  
 They're just public mausoleums  
 The **living dead** fill every room  
 But the most special are the most lonely  
 God, I pity the <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**string instruments**)  
 In glass coffins they keep <sup>13</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**what you**  
**keep doing when you have a cold**)  
 They've forgotten, forgotten how to sing  
 They will stay there in their <sup>14</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ frames  
 (**a precious metal**)  
 For forever, forever and a day  
 All the rowboats in the oil paintings  
 They keep trying to row away, row away

#### Chorus

They will stay there forever and a day  
 All the rowboats in the oil paintings  
 They keep trying to row away, row away  
 (repeat)

- c Look at the **bold** phrases and with a partner answer the questions.

- What are the 'glass coffins'?
- What does 'First there's lights out, then there's lock up' mean?
- Why does she say the works of art are serving 'maximum sentences'?
- Who are 'the living dead'?
- How does the singer feel about the things she sees in paintings and display cases in the gallery?

#### GLOSSARY

contorted = twisted out of its normal shape

#### SONG FACTS

Russian-born American musician Regina Spektor is an internationally-known pop singer and songwriter. Regina studied classical piano and garnered a loyal live following in New York before self-releasing two albums. *All the Rowboats* was the first single released from her sixth album *What We Saw from the Cheap Seats* in 2012. However, she had penned the song about 7–8 years before and had been performing it at concerts regularly.